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SERIAL NO.: 09/521,522

GROUP ART UNIT: 2643

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EXAMINER: Suhan NI

TITLE: SOUND-DAMPING LAMINATE FOR LOUDSPEAKER STRUCTURE

RESPONSE "A" TO NON FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Examiner Ni:

This is a response to the non-final Office Action mailed June 28, 2001. Please enter the following amendments and reconsider the application in view of the remarks below.

Please revise the Attorney Docket No. from "1331R" to --50047590-0031--.

IN THE CLAIMS

5 Please add new claims 9-30 as follows:

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- 9 (New) A loudspeaker component, comprising:
- a first layer,
  - a second layer, wherein the second layer is fixed to the first layer so as to define a core and
  - 10 a margin, wherein the margin comprises a first flange and a second flange; and
  - sound damping material disposed in the core so as to be completely encased by the first layer and the second layer.

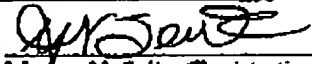
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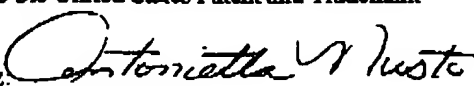
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